HOUSE BILL 9077

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 9; Title 14; Title 29; Title 38; Title 49; Title 50; Title 63 and Title 68, relative to addressing the COVID-19 pandemic.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 50-7-303(a)(1), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:
 - (C) The disqualification provided in subdivision (a)(1)(A) does not apply to a claimant who left employment because the claimant was required to receive an immunization or vaccination for COVID-19, and the claimant refused to receive the immunization or vaccination.
- SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 50-7-303(c), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:
 - (4) Benefits shall not be reduced or denied under this chapter to an otherwise eligible claimant for separation from employment due to the claimant refusing to receive a vaccination for COVID-19.
 - SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.